Welcome to Bonny Slope Kindergarten Open House

Wednesday, April 15, 2026
5:30-7:00 pm

Introductions

Betty Skundrick, Principal

Jessica Bascom, School Counselor

Lindsey Williamson, Student Behavior Specialist

Introductions

Current Team:

Cassidy Zusman

Jessica Osika

Deb Henely



ELD Team

English Language Development





Sarah Grimes

Marcie Meier

ParentSquare

MULTILINGUAL department

BEAVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

From Our School Nurse

Welcome Kindergarten Families! My name is Amelia Carnahan and I have the privilege of serving our students with various health needs. Additional information from me can be found here. As the School Nurse, I would greatly appreciate knowing *in advance* of Kinder Academy or the first day of school if your child has any significant health conditions that may impact them during the school day. This advance notice helps me to plan for the safety of your student. If your child has a medical need OR if you have any questions for me please do not hesitate to reach out! I look forward to meeting many of you in the future!

Amelia Carnahan
amelia_carnahan@beaverton.k12.or.us



What is BSCO

The Bonny Slope Community Organization, or BSCO, is the parent-teacher organization at Bonny Slope Elementary School. As a parent or guardian of a child at Bonny Slope, you are automatically a member of the BSCO. With the goal of enhancing the educational experience of Bonny Slope students, the BSCO coordinates volunteer efforts, community events, educational enhancement and fundraising.

The BSCO was founded by parents as a non-profit organization when Bonny Slope Elementary opened in 2008. The BSCO has raised funds and organized volunteers to support many of the extras that enhance our school.

How to Volunteer

1. **Visit the Beaverton School District website**
   https://www.beaverton.k12.or.us/departments/communications-community-involvement/volunteer
   and follow the instructions to submit an application for a background check through Raptor

2. **Get your Welcome letter from Raptor** and follow the instructions to create your profile

3. **Download the ParentSquare application** to find volunteer opportunities at the school, available for Apple and Android

Questions?? volunteers@bonnyslopebsco.com



How to get involved - Volunteer Opportunities

New Families - ways to get started

Friday Folders: Sort student work into folders, along with any communication from the school, for families to see what students have been learning in class.

- 30-60 min once per week

Library Support: Help restock the library shelves, help students shop for books, or read a book to the Kindergarten class.

- 60 min, shifts vary in availability

Art Literacy: This BSD program brings art education into the classroom each month for students to learn about a new artist or art style. Lesson Presenters offer information about the artist/art. Art Helpers support the art project students make.

- 60 min shift by classroom, monthly

Party Planning: There are three classroom parties each year - Winter, Valentine's Day, and End of Year. Party planners work across the grade level and with teachers to create a fun party for students.

- Time commitment varies

Classroom Support: Teachers will notify parents in their class about volunteer opportunities within the classroom, as needed.



Bobcat Trail Club: Our school run club takes place twice a week in the morning before start of classes. Help cound student laps or hold the door for student-participants or other volunteers.

- 30-60 min, twice per week opportunity

Production Room: Make copies, cut and collate, laminate, bind, and more by teacher request. Teachers will leave jobs in the production room on Mon/Wed for volunteers to complete on Tues/Thurs.

- 60 min, flexible throughout the day. Varies by number of jobs requested.

Looking for more?

There are loads of committees that support organization for activities and events at Bonny Slope. If you love planning, are passionate about a cause, or are looking for ways to be more involved and more connected to your community, join a committee and make a difference!

Contact: committees@bonnyslopebsco.org

Supplies & Backpacks



- School Supply lists will be released this spring with the option to purchase a bundle or purchase on your own, using the list. (Information in Paw Prints)
- Each child needs a full size backpack, water bottle and lunch bag if bringing food from home, and a change of clothes in a bag for emergencies.
- Friday folders go home each week with student work and teacher/school communications.

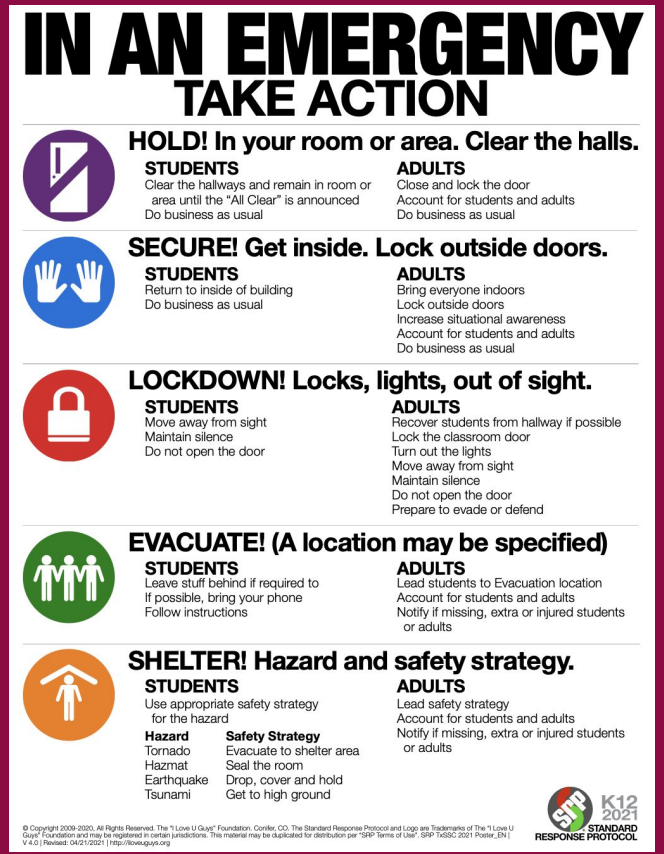
Health & Safety

Health Conditions & Allergies

Medication

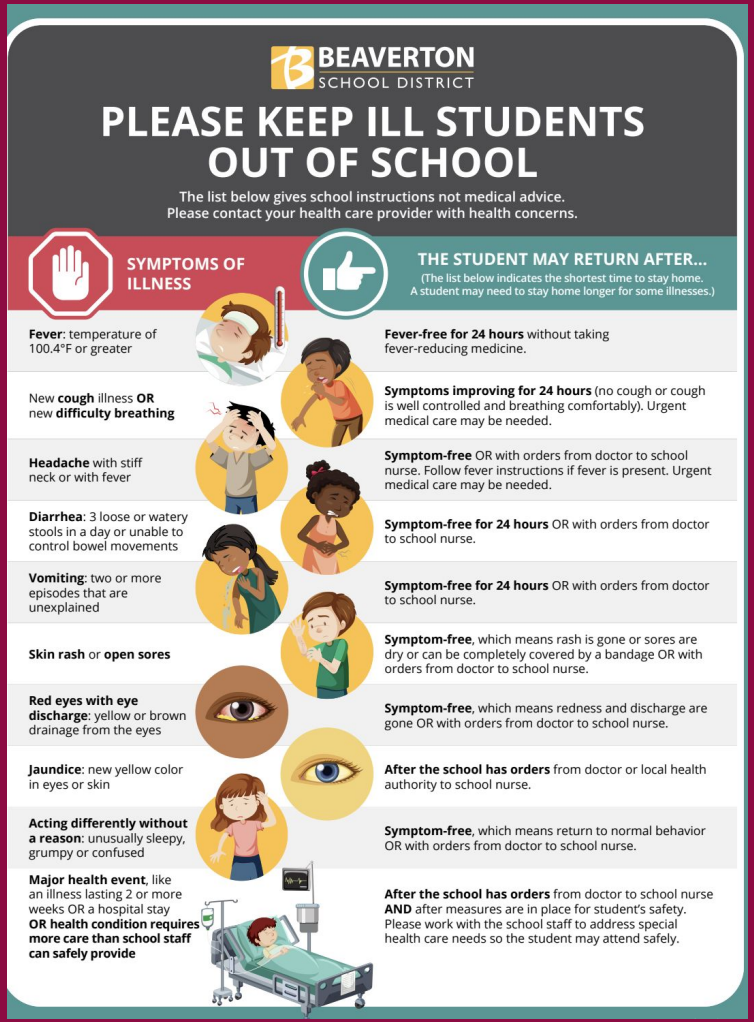
School Safety Drills

- Lockdown
- Secure
- Earthquake
- Evacuation



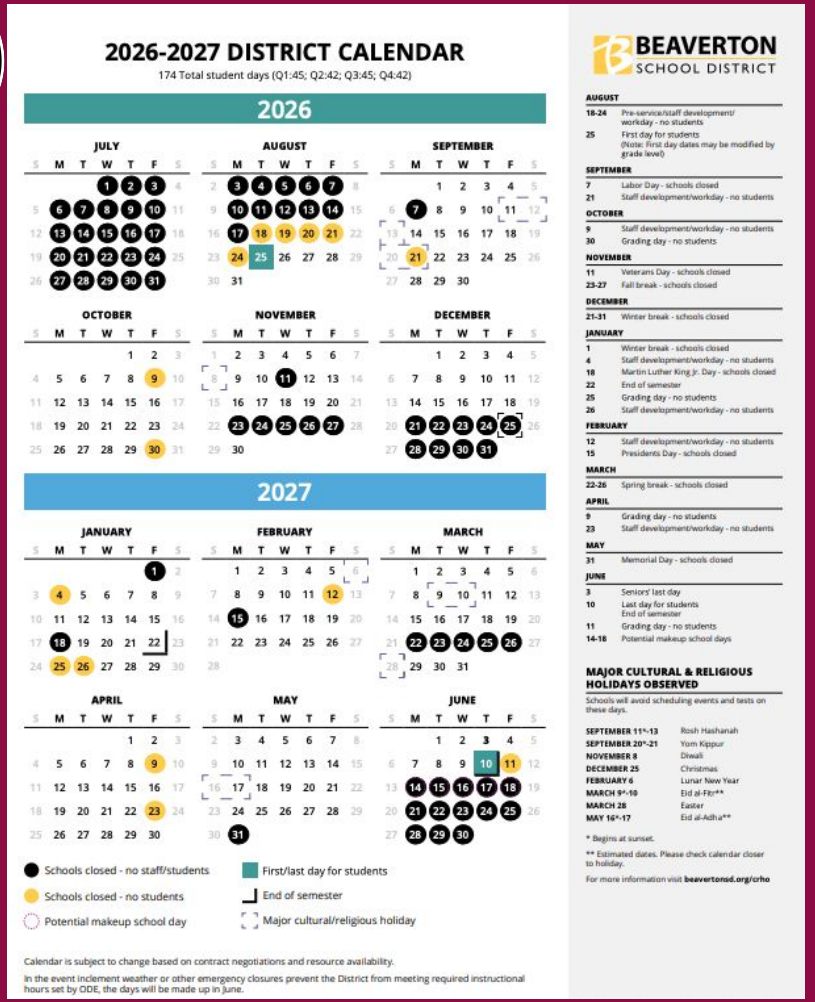
Attendance

- Please call in all absences to our attendance line or email: bslp-attendance@beaverton.k12.or.us or report on ParentVue (full day excused absences only)
- District Goal: 90% or higher attendance
  - This factors in all absences, excused or unexcused
- Consider planning vacations during school breaks
- Once a student falls below 90% attendance, we see research and poorer outcomes for students at schools in all areas of growth.



Attendance

- What can you do to prepare?
  - This Summer, start practicing your School Routine
  - Establish bedtimes and wake up times, practice getting ready for school and your goodbyes in the morning
  - Establish a consistent night time routine that promotes healthy sleep and allows time for your student to wind down before bed
  - If you're child has never spent time away from you, practice before school with times they spend with a family member or friend or daycare, etc. Start small and work your way up.
  - Most importantly, stay consistent!



2026-2027 DISTRICT CALENDAR

174 Total student days (Q1:45; Q2:42; Q3:45; Q4:42)

2026

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Schools closed - no staff/students
Schools closed - no students
Potential makeup school day
First/last day for students
End of semester
Major cultural/religious holiday

Calendar is subject to change based on contract negotiations and resource availability.

In the event inclement weather or other emergency closures prevent the District from meeting required instructional hours set by ODE, the days will be made up in June.

BEAVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

AUGUST
- 18-24 Pre-service/staff development/workday - no students
- 25 First day for students (Note: First day dates may be modified by grade level)

SEPTEMBER
- 7 Labor Day - schools closed
- 21 Staff development/workday - no students

OCTOBER
- 9 Staff development/workday - no students
- 30 Grading day - no students

NOVEMBER
- 11 Veterans Day - schools closed
- 23-27 Fall break - schools closed

DECEMBER
- 21-31 Winter break - schools closed

JANUARY
- 1 Winter break - schools closed
- 4 Staff development/workday - no students
- 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day - schools closed
- 22 End of semester
- 25 Grading day - no students
- 26 Staff development/workday - no students

FEBRUARY
- 12 Staff development/workday - no students
- 15 Presidents Day - schools closed

MARCH
- 22-26 Spring break - schools closed

APRIL
- 9 Grading day - no students
- 23 Staff development/workday - no students

MAY
- 31 Memorial Day - schools closed

JUNE
- 3 Seniors' last day
- 10 Last day for students / End of semester
- 11 Grading day - no students
- 14-18 Potential makeup school days

MAJOR CULTURAL & RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS OBSERVED

Schools will avoid scheduling events and tests on these days.

SEPTEMBER 11*-13	Rosh Hashanah
SEPTEMBER 20*-21	Yom Kippur
NOVEMBER 8	Diwali
DECEMBER 25	Christmas
FEBRUARY 6	Lunar New Year
MARCH 9*-10	Eid al-Fitr**
MARCH 28	Easter
MAY 16*-17	Eid al-Adha**

* Begins at sunset.

** Estimated dates. Please check calendar closer to holiday.

For more information visit beavertonsd.org/crho

Arrival & Dismissal

- 8:10-8:25 - Arrival - Students enter the building via the front doors or the bus doors and wait in the gym.
- 8:20-8:25 - Walk to classrooms - **School starts at 8:25**
- Late students check in at the office after 8:25.
- 2:55-3:10 - Dismissal - Students go to buses, cafeteria for Student Stop, walkup parent pick up or carline pick up.
- Consistent Arrival and Dismissal plans are best!

Meals & Snacks

- Our kitchen serves breakfast (8:10-8:25) and lunch each day.
- Families can choose school lunch or sending a home lunch. There is no charge for a school lunch.
- Families are asked to send **healthy** snacks with their kids (fruit, protein, cheese). Please avoid cookies, candy and chips.
- If there is a classroom nut allergy, you may be asked to avoid sending nut products.

A Day in the Life...

Morning

Arrival / Warm-up / Math Workshop

Morning Recess

Literacy Workshop

Lunch & Recess

Afternoon

Specials (Music/PE/Tech/Library)

Literacy

Science/Social Studies/Art

Snack & Explore

Closing

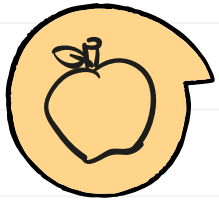
"Play is often talked about as if it were
a relief from serious learning.
But for children, play is serious learning.
Play is really the work of childhood."

Fred Rogers



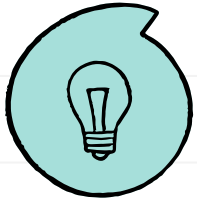
Preparing for Kindergarten

INDEPENDENCE



Food

- opening and closing containers,
- eating in a timely manner
- cleaning up



Self-Management

- asking questions
- reading social and environmental cues
- problem-solving
- separation



Self-Care

- bathroom needs
- clothing needs
- taking care of belongings



Following Directions

- listening and following multi-step directions
- this is an academic AND interpersonal skill

Preparing for Kindergarten

FINE MOTOR

cutting	peeling	building	dressing	playing
				

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LETTERS & NUMBERS



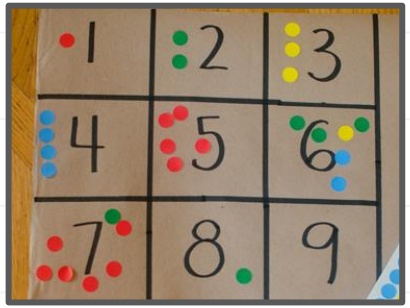
Letter Formation



Name Writing

PlayDoh Letters





Touch & Count



Number Formation



How many?

Questions or Concerns?

Once a teacher is assigned and students have started school…

- Check with the teacher first
- If a concern is unresolved, contact the principal

Kindness in the Classroom









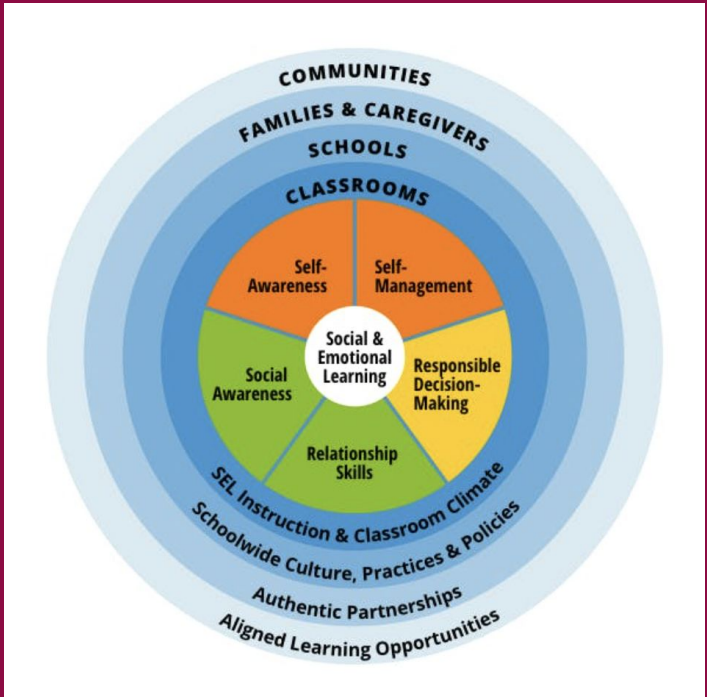




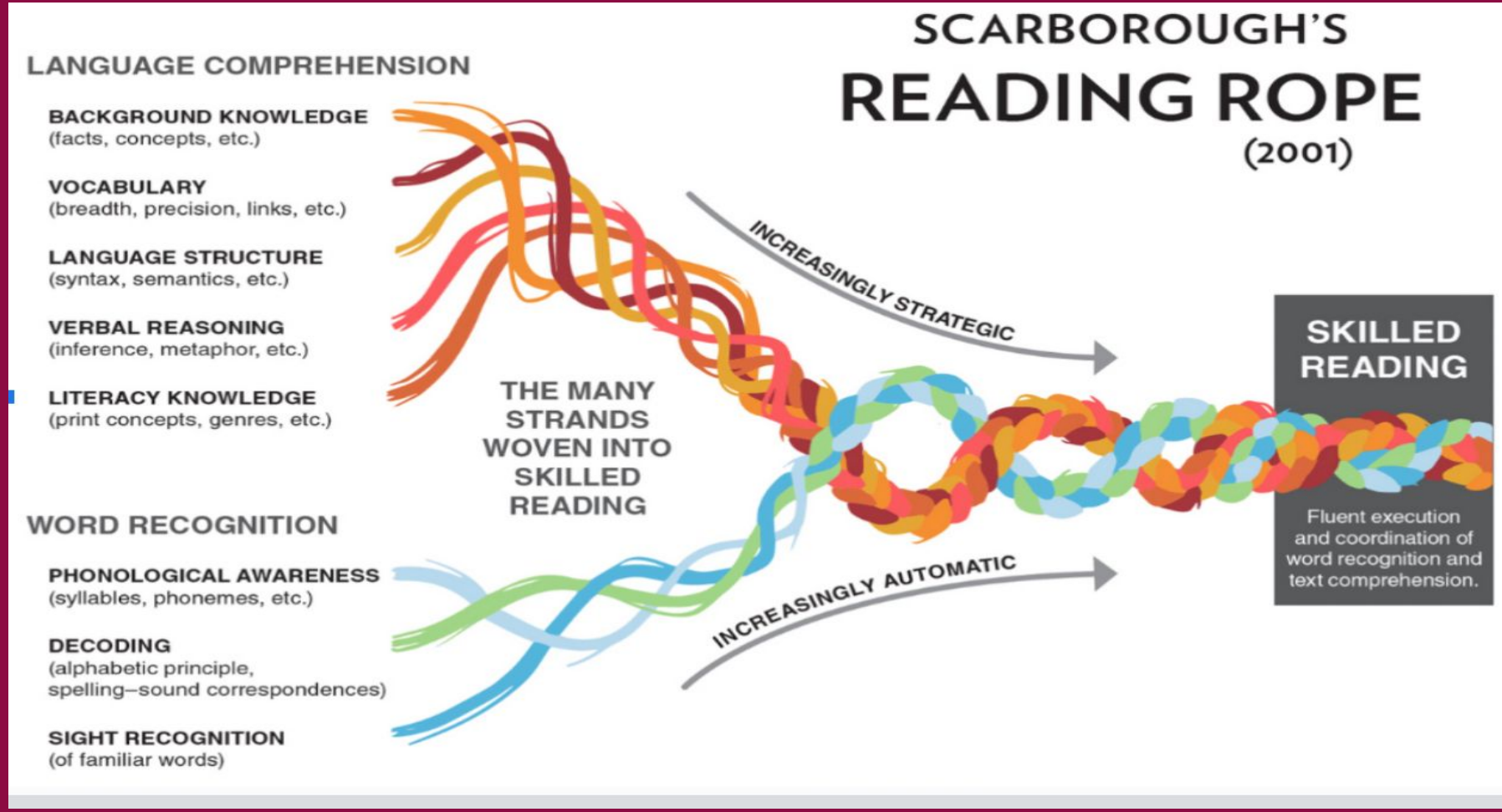
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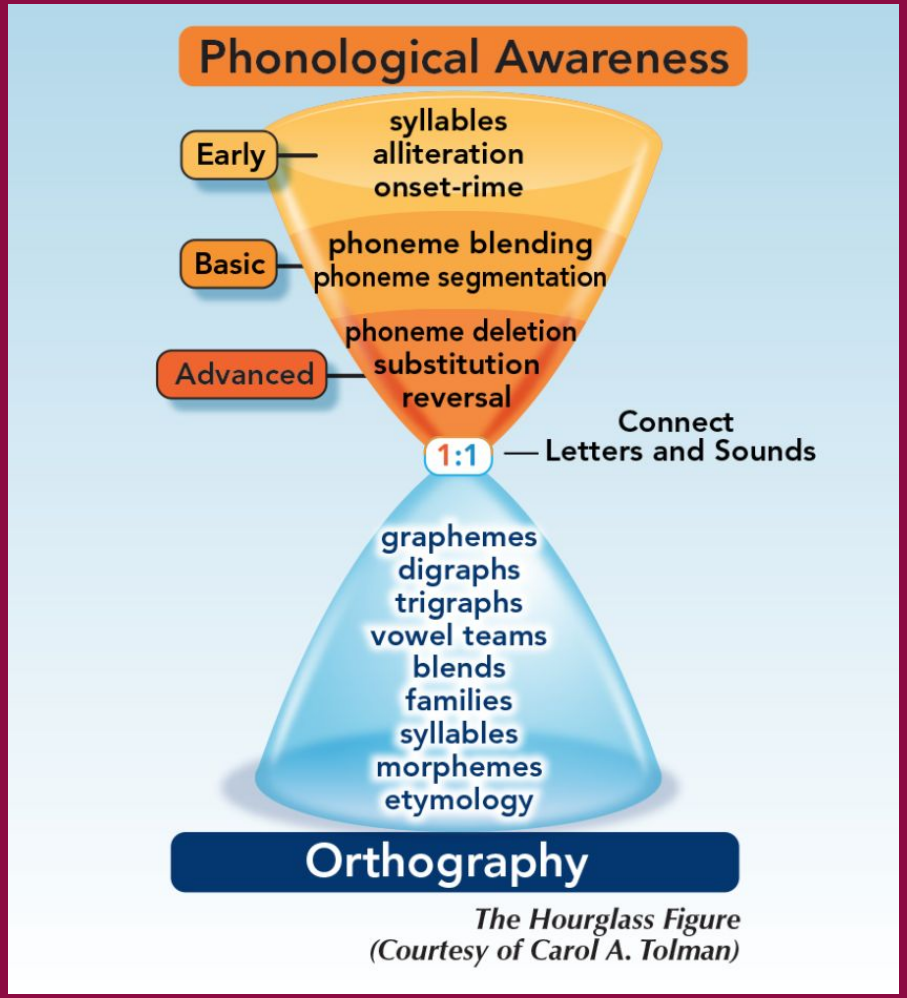
Social Emotional Learning

SEL is a teaching and learning process to develop and acquire the skills, knowledge, and beliefs all individuals need to be successful in school, work, and life.



SCARBOROUGH'S READING ROPE (2001)





The Hourglass Figure
(Courtesy of Carol A. Tolman)

Pre Reading

Story time

Dialogue

Books

Songs

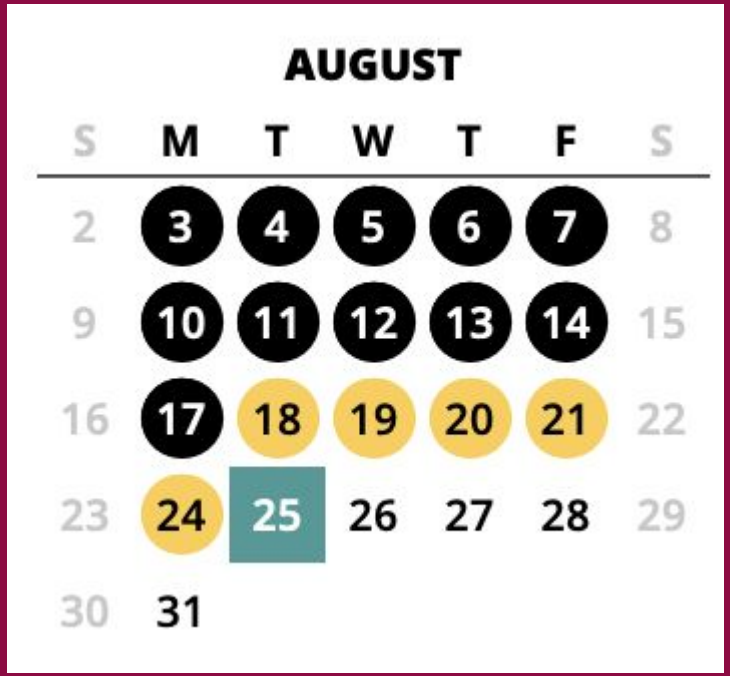
Word Play

Drawing

Kindergarten Academy

- A two half day camp free to all incoming kindergartners.
- Tentatively August 10 & 11 (Mon/Tue) 8:30-11:30
- Registration available later this spring

First Day of School



Tentative Schedule

8/25 & 8/26 Kinder Appointments

8/27 Last Names A-L

8/28 Last Names M - Z

8/31 All Kinders attend

Resources

Welcome to Kindergarten!

2026-2027 Bonny Slope Kindergarten families